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Honorable Lloyd Bentsen United States Senate 912 Federal Building Austin, TX 78701

Dear Senator Bentsen:

Mr. Casey has asked me to respond to your letter of 13 April 1983 which forwarded correspondence from your who claims the Central constituent, Intelligence Agency is harassing him.

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When President Reagan signed Executive Order 12333 on 4 December 1981, he was emphatic in stating that "...no intelligence agency of the United States or any other agency for that matter, will be given the authority to violate the rights and liberties guaranteed to all Americans by our Constitution and laws." Furthermore, Part 2.B of the Order provides that "Nothing in this Order shall be construed to authorize any activity in violation of the Constitution or statutes of the United States."

Executive Order 12333 precludes activities such as those described by your constituent against United States citizens in this country. This was also the case under the previous Executive Order 12036. Please assure Central Intelligence Agency is not harassing him.

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Thank you for your concern in this matter. returning your correspondence as you requested.

> : Cordially yours, STAT . Director, Office of External Affairs

Enclosure

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

April 13, 1983

Mr. William J. Casey Director of Central Intelligence Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

I recently received the enclosed constituent inquiry, and I would very much appreciate your providing me with any pertinent information you might have regarding the matter.

Your kind assistance is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Lloyd Bentsen

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912 Federal Building Austin, Texas 78701 ATTN: Jill Kolbe

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